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9 January 1951

The Honorable
The Director of the
Bureau of the Budget
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lawton:

We have your letter of 29 December 1950 enclosing a copy of the letter from the President to the Secretary of State regarding the adjustment of all appropriate programs of the Government to prevent the flow to countries supporting Communist aggression of those materials that would enhance their ability to carry on such aggression, and at the same time to assure the sound allocation of strategic and critical materials to the free countries of the world.

The Central Intelligence Agency will be glad to co-operate with the Department of State in this undertaking, and will make every effort to provide such assistance and advice as that Department may request.

Sincerely,

WALTER B. SMITH
Director

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My dear General Smith:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the President to the Secretary of State calling for adjustments in current programs and the recommendation of new measures to prevent the flow of militarily useful materials, goods, funds, and services to communist imperialist countries and to minimize the economic dependence upon such countries of ourselves and of other nations of the free world.

The President has asked that I send this letter to you with the request that you cooperate with the Department of State in this important undertaking and furnish such assistance and advice as it may request.

Sincerely yours,

A. J. Lawton
Director

Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

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